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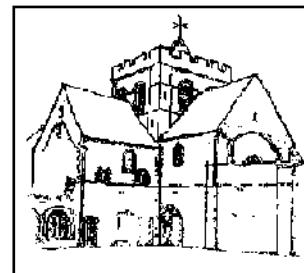
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## From Father Ian

The richness of our worship in Holy Week, and the way that we are drawn into the story of Jesus' death and resurrection, is without doubt a wonderful thing; a life changing thing; and a triumph of love.

Jesus is both the sacrificial victim, and the priest making the offering.

But this is not the offering of man for God, rather it is the offering of God for man. What love this shows us, that our sinful humanity is so valued by the Lord.

We will find in our own lives and relationships many opportunities to give of ourselves to the advantage of others, and in asking whether they deserve our help, or not, if we follow Jesus the answer will always be 'yes'. This is very demanding for us. It has much less to do with fairness than with love, and love is what the Lord commands.

The opening words of the Maundy Thursday mass are a plain message from Jesus: 'I give you a new commandment, that you are to love one another as I have loved you.

Let that be the way for us, because it may well take us to the cross and beyond.

With Easter blessings,

*Father Ian*

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## CALENDAR AND INTERCESSIONS

### APRIL

1	<b>MONDAY IN EASTER WEEK</b>	Tax Officials
2	<b>TUESDAY IN EASTER WEEK</b>	Registrars and all who deal in data
3	<b>WEDNESDAY IN EASTER WEEK</b>	The Diocese of Chichester
4	<b>THURSDAY IN EASTER WEEK</b>	Sacristans
5	<b>FRIDAY IN EASTER WEEK</b>	That we might learn forgiveness
6	<b>SATURDAY IN EASTER WEEK</b>	Greater charity and love
7	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>Parish and people</b>
8	Mon <b>ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD</b>	Obedience to God's call
9	Tue Feria	Sharing Easter joy
10	Wed Feria	The RSPCA
11	Thu Saint Stanislaus, B&M	The motor industry
12	Fri Feria	Civil Servants
13	Sat Feria	Politicians
14	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>Following Jesus more closely</b>
15	Mon Feria	The unchurched
16	Tue Feria	Those seeking faith
17	Wed Feria	English Heritage
18	Thu Feria	Church architects
19	Fri Saint Alphege, bishop & martyr	Composers
20	Sat Feria	Authors
21	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>The Abbey of Le Bec Hellouin</b>
22	Mon Feria	Teachers
23	Tue <b>SAINT GEORGE, M, PATRON OF ENGLAND</b>	The English Nation
24	Wed Saint Mellitus, Bp	Church diplomats
25	Thu <b>Saint Mark the Evangelist</b>	Religious observers & commentators
26	Fri Feria	Local politicians
27	Sat Feria	Faithfulness to the gospel
28	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>Parish and people</b>
29	Mon Saint Catherine of Siena, V&D, Patron of Europe	The nations of Europe
30	Tue Feria	The Press & Media

# PRIORY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School meets on the **first and third** Sunday of each month during term-time (excluding holidays) at 10.20am in the St Blaise Centre, then to go over to the Priory for the second half of the service.

Children should be aged between 4 and 11 and they must have already started school. They are asked to arrive promptly, so that the objective of the session can be explained to everyone at once.

There is no charge and parents do not need to accompany the children. They don't need to bring anything with them - just to come along!

For further information about our Sunday School, please contact Vicky Willavise by email at [vickywillavise@outlook.com](mailto:vickywillavise@outlook.com).

We are always looking for more volunteers to support the Sunday School. If you would like to find out more, please contact Vicky Willavise (as above.)



## ***From the Registers***

### **Funerals**

Rosemary Woolston

*Please keep Rosemary in your prayers*



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Consumer helpline 0345 4040506

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# Boxgrove Neighbourhood Plan

## Update March 2024

### Open Meeting 27 April 2024

As previously reported, the Neighbourhood Plan team has been undertaking a review of the policies in our existing Plan and carried out detailed assessments of potential housing sites in the parish.

Our team has now met with representatives of the developers of the sites being put forward for consideration. We have invited each developer to present their thoughts and proposals to you, the residents of the Parish, on information boards which will be displayed at the meeting.

You will also be able to consider the other sites which have either been rejected by the team or not put forward by the land owners/developers. You will have the opportunity to state your preferences.

Any of these sites, will of course, be subject to the normal planning and consultation process, in due course.

The team would also like to invite you, as residents, to participate and give your thoughts about transport and accessibility, wildlife and biodiversity, important views, heritage assets, as well as ideas about the design of the new dwellings that you would like to see in the Parish.

The Open meeting is to take place at **Boxgrove Village Hall on Saturday April 27 , 2024 from 10am to 3pm**. Details are yet to be finalised, but we have invited other local interest groups to attend to make this a thoroughly inclusive event, so please make a note in your diary. A separate announcement about the other groups attending will also be published.

Any further Neighbourhood Plan information will be advised by posters, social media and on our website

<https://boxgroveparishcouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan/our-neighbourhood-plan/>

David Leah  
Chair of Boxgrove Neighbourhood Plan Team  
11 March 2024



# Boxgrove Dog Show & Fair



## Save the Date

This year's Dog Show & Fair is being held on

**Saturday**

**28<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

@ Boxgrove Village Hall & Playing fields

A fun day out for the whole family

For any information

or to volunteer or help (before, during, afterwards)

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**INFORMATION DAY**  
**AT BOXGROVE VILLAGE HALL**  
**SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

Boxgrove Parish Council is inviting you to an information day (10 a.m.- 3 p.m.) at Boxgrove Village Hall on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

Present will be the Neighbourhood Plan Group with important information about future development in the Parish for you to comment on, and the Traffic Calming Group will also be present - looking for new Speedwatch volunteers - and will also have information about the new Traffic Calming initiative for Boxgrove.

If any other local group or commerce would like to be present to show the village what you do, please contact the clerk on [clerk@boxgroveparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@boxgroveparishcouncil.gov.uk)

**St Blaise Fair Proceeds**

The St Blaise Fair held on the 3rd February was a huge success. All proceeds from the fair go to the Kwa Mkono Polio Hostel in Tanzania.

A breakdown of income is as follows:

Tea & Coffee - £122.00

Cakes - £144.25

Raffle - £181.00

Tombola - £154.00

Books - £255.18

Bric-a-Brac - £111.50

Hot Food - £112.50

Trade Stalls & Donations - £274.00

Total, less expenses - £1,279.31

Thanks to all those who helped to make this another great event!

David Bannister & Katie Kean, Churchwardens

## Latest News from Kwa Mkono

The Kwa Mkono Trust, the largest UK supporter of the Centre, has sent this recent report on activities in Tanzania.

Last year the Trust was able to raise funds to update the four old dormitories with bigger windows and higher ceilings with lining boards. This means they now are all refurbished to government standards. The next project is to get the solar power system on the girls' dormitories working again; the batteries need replacing but are expensive and it is not easy to find good ones.

During the year the Centre had one good harvest and one quite good so that they had sufficient for their own needs and a small surplus to sell. The vegetable garden also did well with a surplus. The poultry project is being expanded allowing the sale of both eggs and chickens. The Trust was able to find a sponsor to help set up a new project. Fr. John, the administrator, had suggested a small café on the street, for next door hospital patients and staff, and visitors to the village. He obtained the appropriate permissions and inspections before it opened and it is now doing well.

There are now 62 children and young adults at the Centre. Two young men are taking A levels, a young lady doing a pharmacy course and a young man at university taking a fine arts course. One young lady has completed college and has returned to the Centre to teach tailoring and computer studies; another has qualified in Social Work and is back at the Centre as the official state worker. Both are very committed and popular with children and staff.

All these projects have increased as the Trust has been encouraging them to become more self sufficient. Fr John is working hard and very successfully but although the Trust will continue to support ongoing projects and respond to emergencies, it is important for the Centre to find other means of funding as the Trust cannot run for ever.

Tim Pullan

*Please see page 9 for a report on St Blaise Fair proceeds towards Kwa Mkono—Ed.*



Visit the **Sussex Snowdrop Trust's** website at <https://www.thesussexsnowdroptrust.com/> to read about the wonderful work they do for children and their families.

# THE OPTIMISTIC GARDENER

*High Trees, April 2024 ~ No.70*

*Everything's coming up roses*

The other day on the radio I heard the Pete Seeger song “Where have all the Flowers gone”. It was written in 1955 is one of the 20th century’s most hummable tunes. It has much resonance in this decade when ‘young men’ are becoming ‘soldiers’ once again. It also has resonance with people who live in areas which have been developed to the exclusion of green spaces.



*Roundheaded Rampion—Pride of Sussex*

My friend Vera is 103. She is still able to tell you what the date is and what she will be doing in a week’s time. Like most old souls she reminisces about the days in her youth when she could walk in the fields and they were bedecked with orchids such as Twayblades (*Neottia ovata*). I have to confess - I needed to look this one up as I don’t recall ever seeing them but apparently they are common! Less common is the flower that has been chosen to represent Sussex - the round-headed Rampion, widely known as the ‘Pride of Sussex’.

Then I got to thinking about the number of pieces of music which have flowers in their titles. I began to list them - I must suggest this to Alexander Armstrong as the subject of a round of *Pointless!* The Rose comes top of the list. There are ‘Wild Roses’ (Of Monsters and Men), ‘Tokyo Rose’ (Idle Eyes), ‘The Yellow Rose of Texas’ (Mitch Millar), ‘Blood Red Roses’ (Rod Stewart) ..... I could go on (and on) and, I am ashamed to confess, the only performer in that list who I recognised was Rod Stewart. Here are some other examples of music which relies on the rose for its subject:

‘La vie en rose’ (Edit Piaf) ‘Everything’s coming up roses’ (from “Gypsy”) ‘There is no Rose’ (set by many composers including Benjamin Britten in his “Ceremony of Carols”).

Then I started to ponder - why is the rose such a popular choice of subject for songs? Well - they’ve been around for a long time - the scent of the simple Iranian rose has been delighting the perfumer’s nostrils for millennia. The rose fields of Qasmar in Iran attract hundreds of tourists in the early summer when the roses grown for their nectar are harvested. Rose water (the ingredient which give Turkish Delight its particular flavour) can be used in a medicinal as well as culinary way. Amongst other things it can be used for wrinkles (to reduce them that is; not create them!), acne (ditto!), as a laxative and anti-inflammatory. Roses have been used in medicine, beauty products, perfume and decor since time immemorial.

But more importantly for the writers of lyrics, the rose has long been a symbol of romance - even passion. On 14th February each year in every garage, convenience

store and market you can see men (it is normally men) leaving clutching a bouquet of red roses. There are many myths that associate roses with true love. In Greek



mythology the goddess of love, Aphrodite, rushing to the aid of her wounded paramour, Adonis, was pricked by the thorns of a white rose bush - but before she reached him he had taken his last breath. Her tears of grief mingling with his blood caused the white roses to turn red.

The long-stemmed roses, which are most likely to be sold in florists the world over, are a hybrid tea variety which are quite tricky to grow well.

Now you would think we Brits would be able to grow the best roses in the world; it is after all the national flower of England.

But it turns out that one of the best places to grow the perfect florist's rose is the South American country of



*Long stemmed rose*

Ecuador. Florists prefer them over other roses because of their larger size, scent, and longevity (arrangements of Ecuadorean roses will last up to two weeks in a vase with proper care).

"Why Ecuador?" you ask. Well in Sussex we can't manage the long hours of sunlight. Ecuador straddles the equator. After all the name comes from the Spanish word for the equator. Nor can we reach the perfect altitude; most of Ecuador's roses are grown between 2,800m and 3,000m. These two factors mean that the roses take longer to grow, producing longer stems and healthier flowers.

There are around 150 wild species of roses and a staggering 30,000 cultivated varieties. They have not always been the frilly confections which breeders have developed for our modern-day yen for something different.

The first species roses had 5 single petals as you can see on the Dog Rose which decorates our hedgerows. These are the species that modern-day roses are descended from.

I love to stand under my rambling rose - Rambling Rector (rather appropriate for a parish magazine) - and listen to the buzz of insects coming from its millions of flowers. This beast of a rose needs a large space to accommodate its rambling habit; ours is now spread across a hawthorn tree, a sloe tree and is heading out for Barnham village!

I wish I had more success with growing roses. I think it is because I find they are such fussy critters.



Can I give them 6 hours or more of full sunlight? If not - forget it.

Is my soil in optimum condition? Sometimes!

Do I prune at the right time? Seldom.

Is deadheading done regularly? Only with the ones I can reach easily!

Is there a lack of water? In the winter of 2023/2024 no problem - but who can tell what droughts are around the corner?

But the biggest problem I find with roses in an organic garden is that of pests and diseases. The list is endless - deer, rabbits, greenfly, caterpillars, sawfly, red spider mite, thrips.....not to mention powdery mildew, downy mildew, anthracnose, canker diseases, rust, root rots, grey mold, ghost spot and leaf spot diseases such as black spot and cercospora leaf spot.

Post script:

*When composing 'Gypsy', Styne decided to re-use the music for what became "Everything's Coming Up Roses", with new lyrics by Sondheim. It took Sondheim a week to come up with the title; the lyricist recalled: "The point was to [coin] a phrase that sounded as if it had been in the language for years but was in fact invented for the show." (The similar phrase, "come up smelling like a rose" has in fact been in general usage since the early 20th century, and the similar idiom "roses, roses all the way" derives from a Robert Browning poem The Patriot Director of the show Jerome Robbins responded to Sondheim's lyrics: "Everything's coming up Rose's what?" prompting Sondheim's assurance that "if anybody else has that confusion – anybody connected with the production, in the audience, any of your relatives – I will change the title." Wikipedia*



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## NEWS FROM THE BOXGROVE BELLES

Spring has sprung and so it was very fitting that the talk at the March Meeting of the Belles was about a Gardener and his Garden. The garden is in Selborne, Hampshire and the gardener, the naturalist Gilbert White.

We had a wonderful hour in the capable hands of David Standing, discovering the Eighteenth Century garden created by Gilbert White. David was the Gardener at Selborne for over 30 years. He became passionate about discovering what the garden looked like in the time of Gilbert White and how it evolved. David has not been able to recreate the garden in its entirety as land has been sold and built on over the years. He discovered that the Reverend White “borrowed” land that did not belong to him in order to plant trees and shrubs to hide things he considered an eye-sore. Gilbert also created pathways through the nearby beech hanger with places to sit and contemplate the view. Needless to say the beech hanger did not belong to him!

David Standing’s enthusiasm and breadth of knowledge was inspiring, as was his doggedness in tracking down documents, paintings and maps to further his understanding of the Selborne estate, even going as far afield as Harvard, USA to find a painting of the village of Selborne and Gilbert White’s house and garden.

Just as we know so much of the natural history of Selborne from the Reverend White’s naturalist diaries and writings, so we can discover much about his garden, its layout, planting and produce from his garden diaries, including observations about the weather. David had the foresight to bring plants from Selborne with him, so we now have the same varieties of plants that would have been found in Gilbert White’s garden. It’s rather nice to feel we have a little bit of gardening history in our own gardens and we plan to visit Selborne and the Gilbert White Museum later in the year.

The Belles has now been going for a whole year! We go from strength to strength, have a clear idea of who we are and what we want out of the group - namely friendship and entertainment through speakers, activities, visits and socialising. We are also pleased to learn that we are financially viable.

So why not join us? We meet on the second Wednesday of the month at the St Blaise Centre at 2.15 pm. Our next meeting is our First Birthday Meeting on 10th April when we shall be finding out about “Sound Therapy” from one of our members, Sheena Wyllie.

Interested? My contact details are given below.

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# BOXGROVE PARISH COUNCIL

## From the Parish Council



First of all apologies for the lengthy gap in reports about what the Parish Council is up to.

The Council was approached towards the end of last year by a Boules, or Pétanque Club wishing to create a Boules pitch within the curtilage of the Playing Field. This was agreed subject to various conditions and to date, funding has been secured with a contribution from the Parish CIL Reserves. We have now been advised that planning permission will be required so that is the next step. The preferred site is west of the Village hall adjacent to the sports clubs storage garage but an appropriate distance from the very well established Oak Tree. More on this as further progress is made.

The Council is working up a Parish Emergency Plan and those Members involved attended a presentation by WSCC and CDC Officers from their respective Resilience Teams. This involves recognising the risks in an Emergency and how to deal with them, which Agencies to contact and how, what volunteers can do by way of knowledge and expertise, and more. A list of such volunteers is being collated, as well as a list of those who may feel vulnerable and may require specialist help in the case of emergencies. After waiting for the Resilience Presentation the team will acquire much help and possible equipment from WSCC and CDC and continue with the preparation of a Plan.

As I write this, I am thankful that the worst of the atrocious weather is passed, it has stretched the Water Management Authorities beyond their limits, much because of poor routine maintenance routines. A resident found by talking, 'it's good to talk' to the operatives that a blocked flood water drain adjacent to the Tangmere footbridge was the root cause of the flooding of the eastbound carriageway of the A27 and the absolute chaos through The Street for two days.

Elsewhere in the district the failure to regularly clear ditches has caused much unnecessary flooding and of course, this flooding is exacerbating the potholes which seem to be everywhere. The mess that is a poorly filled trench created about 4 years ago to relay a stretch of telephone cable trunking, just gets worse by the day.

Apparently BT or its Contractor are only responsible for reinstatement of trenches up to one year after infilling. A most unsatisfactory arrangement! So WSCC Highways -with our taxpayers money! -are left to carry out remedial work, I think the 'mess' at the northern end of The Street has been treated at least six times in the past eighteen months.

The Neighbourhood Plan is being reviewed by a very capable team, potential development sites are being identified to accommodate our 'share' of housing provision in the Chichester, and it is hoped the review will be finalised and ready for presentation to the Planning Inspectorate later this year, maybe coinciding with the Chichester District Local Plan Review delivery.

There is to be a presentation of the progress of the Bx. NP review in the Village Hall

on Saturday 27th April so please come along and see what the future will look like.

I noted that the District Council held the increase of their share of Council Tax at 2.99% which will add 10 pence per week for the coming year 24/25 which is some comfort considering the increases some poorly run Local Authorities are imposing. CDC continues to be among the best run Councils in England.

To commemorate the 80th anniversary of D Day the Council voted to buy a flag which can be flown from the flagstaff in front of the Almshouses. It will be a flag depicting silhouette struggling soldiers and non generic so it can be flown each year rather than just this year as is the case with many of the flags on offer. So, on June 6th it will be flown for one week.

The volunteer Boxgrove Rangers continue to do good work around the Village, recently they pruned the growth of new shoots around the trees lining the verge in front of the Almshouses and I took a few and pushed them into the ground in various locations and a check last week revealed they were growing, adding to the many trees planted in the past couple of years.

There are still a couple of residents who continue to litter pick as they walk around the Villages and I'd like to thank them sincerely as well as a few who pick stuff up as well. It all helps!

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Monday 8th April, not the usual 1st Monday as that is a Bank Holiday.

See you there!

Henry Potter, Chairman of the Council



Please note there is no monthly market on Friday 29th March

If you would like any more information on what's on, please check our website <http://boxgrovevillagehall.co.uk> or get in touch at: [community@boxgrovevillagehall.co.uk](mailto:community@boxgrovevillagehall.co.uk).



Please remember - if you have any unwanted sewing machines, carpentry, garden or engineering tools, Tim Pullan and Malcolm Knight collect such items for 'Tools with a Mission' and 'Tools for Self-Reliance' respectively to be despatched to Africa to help families and individuals to start or expand their business.

**Tim Pullan 01243 532065**  
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**Bognor Regis Vision Support Centre**  
**36 Victoria Drive, Bognor Regis, PO21 2TE**  
**Registered Charity No. 1075447**



## **Global Accessibility Awareness Day: Raising the Profile with 4Sight Vision Support**

West Sussex charity 4Sight Vision Support (4SVS) invites everyone to learn more about digital accessibility while celebrating Global Accessibility Awareness Day (GAAD) on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May. The purpose of GAAD is to get everyone talking, thinking and learning about digital access and inclusion, and the more than one billion people worldwide with disabilities/impairments.

The GAAD Foundation's mission is "To disrupt the culture of technology and digital product development to include accessibility as a core requirement." They demand that "Someone with a disability must be able to experience web-based services, content and other digital products with the same successful outcome as those without disabilities. This awareness and commitment to inclusion is the goal of Global Accessibility Awareness Day (GAAD), a global event that shines a light on digital access and inclusion for people with disabilities."



4 Sight Vision Support has a dedicated Accessible Technology Specialist who supports and advises visually impaired clients on how current technology such as smartphones, computers, tablets, and smart speakers can be made more accessible. Advice can also be provided about the digital services available that can assist with day to day life. Accessible Technology is one of the best ways to help people

remain independent, keep in contact, manage finances, work, shop, and much more.

To find out more about digital accessibility for you, or someone you know, call 4SVS on 01243 828555 or visit [www.4sight.org.uk](http://www.4sight.org.uk) For more details about GAAD visit <https://accessibility.day>



# Petworth House & Park News for March

Petworth House and Park, Church Street, Petworth, GU28 0AE  
Details at <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/sussex/petworth>



## Spring Festival

Spring Festival at Petworth continues, with talks, demonstrations, art and craft workshops, family activities, a community art installation and an enhanced display of radiant daffodils.

The festival runs from 23rd March to 14th April. Normal admission applies. Details of talks and workshops can be found on our website.

## Spring Family Trail

Discover games and activities for all ages along the buggy-friendly paths of the Pleasure Garden on our family trail and look out for six sculptures inspired by nature.

23rd March – 14th April. Pick up a free map on arrival, normal admission applies.

## Drop-in Family Crafts

Join us in the Battery House any time between 10.30am - 3.30pm for spring-themed craft activities:

Wednesday 3rd – Saturday 6th April: Design your own mini spring wreath.

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*We are also looking for volunteers who don't mind getting stuck in and sorting our donations; this will enable us to make the best use of them. So many people have so much experience which would be very welcome ...!*

## Latest News from St Wilfrid's Hospice April 2024

### Moonlight Walk 2024

Take on a walk to remember this June! St Wilfrid's Moonlight Walk returns this June 15<sup>th</sup> for the local community to get involved and raise funds for their local community hospice.

This event sees hundreds of people gather on Chichester College playing field, donning the Moonlight Walk event t-shirts and enjoying a great



atmosphere. Walkers then take on a 5 or 10 mile walk around the local area, under the moonlight.

By taking part and fundraising, you will help raise vital funds to allow St Wilfrid's Hospice to continue providing expert palliative care and compassion to local lives suffering with life-limiting illnesses.

Get your tickets here:

[www.stwh.co.uk/moonlight](http://www.stwh.co.uk/moonlight)

### More than a Shop

Want to make a purchase that actually makes a difference to the local community?

St Wilfrid's Hospice has 12 shops and an online shop that offers affordable, pre-loved items. By purchasing from one of their charity shops, you will be helping fund the end-of-life care provided by the Hospice, making a difference to local lives in the community.

Whether it's refreshing your wardrobe, looking for some new furniture or simply buying a few trinkets, whatever you purchase from a St Wilfrid's shop will help give care to someone in need.



Find your nearest shop:

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### **Gifts in Wills**

Did you know, gifts left in Wills pay for 1 in 4 of St Wilfrid's patient's care? As an independent local charity, St Wilfrid's only receives a small amount of funding from the NHS, so the majority of the Hospice running costs are paid for thanks to the generosity of our local community. Leaving a gift in your Will, whether big or small, helps the Hospice to continue providing expert care and compassion to local lives suffering with a life-limiting illness.

Learn more about leaving a gift in your Will:

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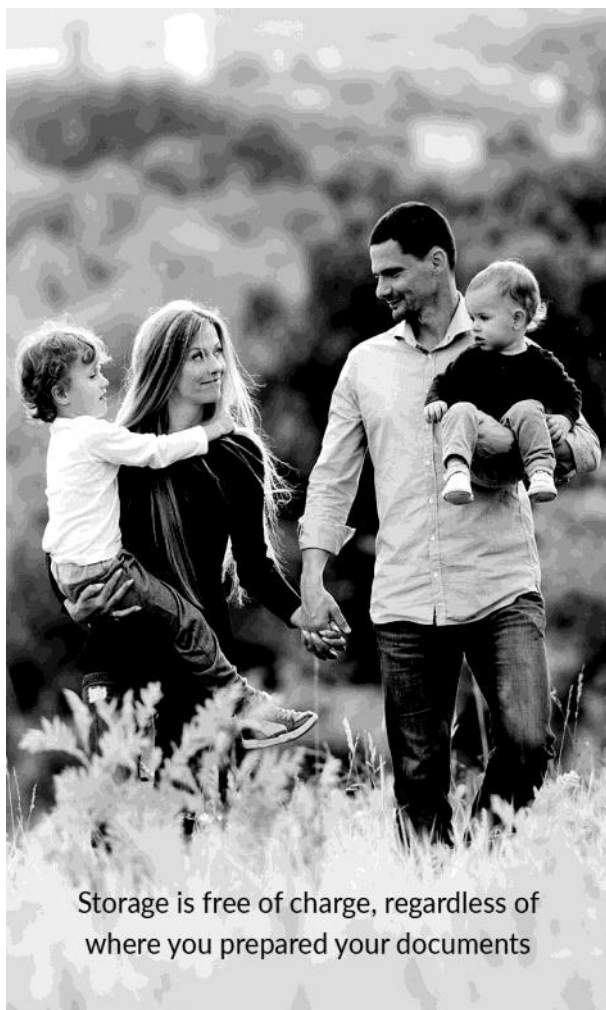
### **St Wilfrid's Newsletter**

Want to hear the latest stories from St Wilfrid's Hospice?

St Wilfrid's have just released their latest Newsletter filled to the brim with stories and news from the Hospice.

You can read the latest version online, as well as sign-up to receive the next edition on your doorstep!

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# The benefits of acting quickly in the popular South Downs



The property market is still in demand in the South Downs, but there is a lack of available stock. This has resulted in property owners being aware of the benefits of having a “chain free buyer”, which I will explain in this blog post.

If buyers are able to purchase a home without the need to sell another, they would be considered to be a chain free buyer. Many require a mortgage however, but as buying agents we act for the best purchasers who are cash rich or with no related sale.

Now four years on from the pandemic where the market was exceptionally buoyant with a rush to the countryside, we are still finding there is an enormous draw to the South Downs National Park. Demand is outweighing supply once again as we head to the traditional busy spring market.

We believe we are seeing a change now because competition for good quality country houses in sought after villages has gone from strength to strength. In the thirty plus years that I have been involved in the industry, we have not seen anything quite like the shortage of available properties. In order for buyers to strengthen their position, buyers are realising they become very attractive to sellers especially if they do not need to sell first or raise funds, putting them at an advantage over other purchasers.

Here are a few reasons why sellers prefer chain free buyers...

### **Less risk of the sale falling through**

Having a buyer pull out of an agreed sale is a seller's worst fear. It is hugely stressful and causes everything to fall apart. With one in four property sales falling through in the UK, it is no surprise they feel this way. If a buyer doesn't need to sell in order to proceed with the purchase of another property, this means the risk of them having to pull out is minimised, putting them in good stead in the eyes of a seller.

### **Shorter time scales with property transactions**

If a buyer is chain free, it does help shorten the process. In fact, research has found chain free buyers can reduce the conveyancing process by as much as eight weeks!

### **Less stressful**

Moving home is supposed to be the third most stressful thing anybody can do. Having a chain free buyer is generally a less stressful option for a seller as the sale is pretty much guaranteed to progress without much delay, and with minimal risk of falling through.

It is therefore very tempting for a seller to accept an offer from a chain free buyer, especially one who has the cash available rather than relying on raising a mortgage.

There are additional benefits for buyers too. Purchasers tend to be in an enhanced position to negotiate a better price from their point of view. We have had many occasions where sellers have actually accepted my clients' offers even though they weren't the highest offer. This was because they presented themselves as a less risky proposition. Also, stress levels are reduced because buyers don't need to worry about selling their property in order to proceed with their purchase.

For more purchasing advice contact our Directors at Property Acquisitions, Jennie Hancock, at [jh@propertyacquisitions.co.uk](mailto:jh@propertyacquisitions.co.uk) or Michelle Hendrie [mh@propertyacquisitions.co.uk](mailto:mh@propertyacquisitions.co.uk)

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2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want, and start shopping.
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**Wednesday** and **Friday** at noon

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Please see page 6 for Sunday School arrangements.

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